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TWO CENTS.

COMING IN THE FOG

Serious Disaster to Fall River Steamers.

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MOST OF THESE DROWN IN BERTHS.

Taunton Crashes Into the Plymouth, Which Was Carrying 500 Passengers.

NEW LONDON, Conn., March 20.—In the fog which descended upon the waters of Long Island sound last night the big Fall River passenger steamer Plymouth, with 500 passengers and a crew of 100 men, was run down while passing through the Race, by the freight steamer City of Taunton of the same line, bound from New York. A full hundred feet of the starboard side of the vessel was smashed in as if it had been paper, the state rooms of the second cabin were entirely cut away, while down in the hold members of the crew who were asleep in the staterooms were drowned by the torrent of water that poured in through the great gap made by the bows of the freighter.

Although greatly terrified, the people aboard the stricken ship exercised great self-control, and there was no panic. The collision occurred after the vessel had clawed her way up the sound through a fog which had reached a point close east of Guilford. The City of Taunton, which was sighted by the officers of the Plymouth was too close to avoid the collision.

The Plymouth headed for Port. The Plymouth was immediately headed for this city. It was thought at one time that the ship's company would have to take to the boats, but the closing of the collision bulkheads prevented the water from gaining, and the vessel made the harbor and was unharmed.

There was no way of telling immediately how many persons perished. Six are dead certainly, and in the mass of debris from the wrecked cabin and staterooms there may be several more bodies, while in the stateroom it is thought there are bodies of three drowned sailors. The City of Taunton was being made fast to the wharf there was seen to be a hole ten feet square in her hull on the starboard side about thirty-five feet from her bow, while for a hundred feet her joiner work had been carried away, including the entire stowage hold and seven state rooms on the saloon deck.

List of Casualties.
The known dead—John McCarthy, watchman, head cut off; Snow Coleman, negro, pantryman, drowned; Julius Dawson, negro, mess man, drowned; John Bristol, negro, waiter, drowned; John William, negro, baker, drowned; Jonathan W. Thompson, Wilkesbarre, Pa., skull shattered by trimmer, New York, arm torn off; Michael Kilguff, passenger, Boston, right foot cut; unknown man, severe scalp wound; unknown woman, cut on cheek; unknown immigrant, cut on forehead; Samuelson, scratched about face and bruised about the body.
Jonathan W. Thompson, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., one of the dead was identified by papers found in his clothes. He was about fifty years of age.
The injured in this afternoon had been carried to the hospital. His right arm was torn off.

Capt. Davis of the Plymouth declined to make any statement concerning the accident at this time.

Capt. T. H. Low of the United States Marine Corps, at Fall River, Mass., said that five men were killed, and the second cabin on the side where the crash was felt. All of the marines carried their rifles and bayonets, and most of the latter are thought to be lost. None of the marines was killed or injured.

The City of Taunton made this port at 5:45 o'clock this morning. The ship's bow stove in and her pumps working. Her bulkhead saved her from sinking.

Stories of Narrow Escapes.
Many stories of narrow escapes from death or serious injury were told by passengers on the Plymouth. M. H. Zack and wife of Taunton occupied the state room adjoining that of Mr. Thompson, who was killed. Both were severely bruised. Mr. Zack said they were awakened by the impact of the colliding vessels. Their cabin was crushed like an eggshell. "We were thrown violently to the floor," he said, "and the wreckage piled upon us, but by a superhuman effort I pushed upward with my head and succeeded in freeing myself. Then I turned to the aid of my wife. She was in a fainting condition when I tore the twisted and splintered wreckage off her, but succeeded in lifting her to the main saloon, where she was revived."

Mr. Zack praised the conduct of the steamer's officers, who, he said, displayed great coolness and energy.
Miss Magdalene Fay of Baltimore had a narrow escape from death. Her room was on the second deck, and she was awakened when her key early in the night and was just on the point of unlocking the door of her state room to retire when she met a young friend. The latter followed Miss Fay to her room to spend the night. The room which Miss Fay had been on the point of occupying was wiped out. All her effects were lost.

GRAND JURY HOLDS CLAGETT.

Charged With Murder of Charles Dyson Last Fourth of July.

SPECIAL DELIVERY TO THE EVENING STAR.
ROCKVILLE, Md., March 20.—Upton Clagett, colored, has been indicted by the grand jury for murder. He is charged with having killed Charles Dyson, colored, also colored, on the night of July 4. The following morning Dyson's mangled body was found near the Baltimore and Ohio railroad tracks, and a coroner's jury decided that he had been killed by a train, a verdict that was in accordance with general belief.

That he had met with foul play was not suspected until recently, when, from remarks let fall by Ella Bowen, a young colored woman of this place, a young man was started by Deputy Sheriff Meads and Selby, the result being that the Bowen woman was taken to the hospital under arrest. She was put through a sweat by State's Attorney Talbot and finally secured a settlement from the Bowen family. The woman stated she, in company with Clagett, attended a picnic at Hayti, a colored settlement near this place, and that while there her escort became displeased because Dyson talked to her, and he threatened to "fix" him. Later in the evening

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Dyson started toward Rockville and Clagett and the woman followed soon after. When only a short distance from the corporation limits of Rockville and near the Baltimore and Ohio tracks Clagett, she said, overtook Dyson and struck him in the head with a fence rail. He continued to strike him, she said, until the man was dead, and he then dragged his body and placed it on the tracks, and during the night it was run over by a train, thus giving the impression that the man had been killed by the train.

After making her statement to State's Attorney Talbot and being sworn before the grand jury and sworn to substantially the same story, and an indictment charging murder was quickly found.

She was taken to the hospital and lodged in jail upon the charge of assault with intent to kill, it being charged that she shot Frank Bowen, a brother of Ella Bowen, a colored man, and that she shot Bowen was not dangerously injured, and is now able to be about.

DELEHANTY ASKS CONFERENCE.

Belief That Ball Player Wants to Settle His Status.

Detroit, Mich., March 20.—President Fred. Post of the Washington American League team yesterday received a telegram from Ed. Deleahanty, who is at New Orleans, stating that Deleahanty wants a conference with Manager Loftus of the Washington club.

The inference drawn from Deleahanty's action yesterday is that he is getting anxious about the controversy about his contract. Postal having taken the position that Deleahanty must play either with Washington or nowhere, while Deleahanty is said to have been preparing to join the New York National League team.

NEW YALE SOCIETY.

Seniors Not Members of Other Societies Are Eligible.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 20.—Announcement was made today of the formation of a new senior class organization at Yale. The new society, which will be known as the Elihu Club, has the official approval of the university authorities.

It is to be non-sectarian, and its relation to the fact that its active membership will be restricted to those students who are not members of any other senior society. The Elihu, however, is not regarded as a protest against the present senior societies, and as an evidence of the present society has accepted honorary elections. Graduates of distinction will receive election.

CLASH WITH THE POLICE.

Students at Budapest Celebrate Kosuth's Birthday.

BUDAPEST, March 20.—The anniversary today of the death of Louis Kosuth was marked by the usual student demonstrations and collisions with the police. A thousand students hoisted mourning flags over the university and compelled the professors to suspend their lectures. Subsequently the students indulged in noisy street demonstrations, and a number of buildings and stoned the police. A number of arrests followed. The deputies of the Kosuth party finally succeeded in inducing the students to disperse.

PRIZE FOR PENNELL.

Yale Classmates Pay Him a High Tribute.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 20.—The Yale Alumni Weekly today publishes a long statement signed by seven members of the class of '87 in appreciation of the late Arthur Pennell of Buffalo, who was recently murdered. The article characterizes Pennell as a man of the finest Yale type. It says his course during the trying days immediately preceding his death "was thoroughly characteristic of the Yale type, and confirms the confidence of his friends," and concludes thus: "Not all the sons of Yale are worthy of it, but in this case we can find no cause for anything but pride."

CROWNINSHIELD RETIRES.

Lowers His Flag on the Chicago at Rome Today.

ROME, March 20.—Rear Admiral Crowninshield, who recently applied for immediate retirement from the navy, today lowered his flag on board the cruiser Chicago and gave up the command of the European station.

Lieutenant Commander Potts, the United States naval attaché, has obtained permission to visit the naval stations at Naples, Castellammare and Spezia.

Ambassador Mott has obtained permission from the Italian government for the American squadron to make a long stay at Naples.

Squadron Will Be Enlarged.

Acting Secretary Darling of the Navy Department has been advised that Rear Admiral A. S. Crowninshield, who was placed on the retired list today, hauled down his flag on the United States steamer Chicago at Naples and transferred the command of the European squadron to Capt. James H. Dayton, commanding the Chicago, as the senior officer present. Capt. Dayton will retain command of the squadron only until the arrival of the new commander-in-chief, Rear Admiral H. C. Cooper, who expects to leave New York for Europe on the 29th proximo. Capt. Charles C. Connelley will relieve Capt. Dayton of command of the Chicago about the same time that Admiral Cooper assumes command of the station.

The European squadron at present consists of the cruisers Chicago (flagship), Albatross and Cincinnati and the gunboat Macchia. The Macchia is now at Algiers and the other vessels are at Naples. It is expected that the squadron will be increased by at least two more vessels within the next few months, including the cruiser San Francisco, which was formerly on that station.

Admiral Crowninshield took official leave of his associates at Naples, and will probably spend some time traveling in Europe before returning to the United States. He was accompanied ashore by his naval secretary, Lieut. Henry H. Ward, whose resignation from the navy was accepted to take effect today.

More Non-Mon Men Imported.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 20.—Forty more non-mon men were brought to the city today by the American Bridge Company for work on the New Wash bridge, and seven of these later. It is claimed, deserted and joined the strikers. The others were escorted to the St. Charles Hotel by a force of detectives, where they are now quartered.

Mr. Fiala to Start for Tromsø.

LONDON, March 20.—Anthony Fiala, who is to head the polar expedition to be equipped by William Zeliger of New York, leaves London tomorrow for Tromsø, Norway, to complete the fitting out of the expedition's steamer America. He will return to the United States in April and will be back at Tromsø in time for the expedition to start in June.

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All eyes will soon be turned toward Colombia, watching developments in that country in connection with the ratification of the Panama canal treaty. The United States government is ready with the cash, the men, the plans and all that is needful to commence work on the canal when the diplomatic negotiations are concluded and the title deeds passed.

Assuming that Colombia will ratify the treaty, that the French Canal Company will assent to the real property involved and that the way will be made clear for actual operations, it may be of interest to look ahead to the next steps to be taken.

As soon as it is certain that the treaty is to be ratified by Colombia, the President will appoint the canal commissioners authorized by the Spooner act. That commission will supercede the present canal commission, but probably including some of the members, who have familiarized themselves with conditions on the isthmus and in connection with the canal. The commission will consist of seven members, who will be paid salaries commensurate with the importance of their work.

All the work will be done under the direction of the canal commission and the President of the United States. The canal will be constructed and the work will be continued as long as the canal continues to administer it. Appointments on the canal, therefore, will be eagerly sought.

No Delay in Beginning Work.

There will be no delay in commencing actual work. The canal has been commenced and a portion of the work materially progressed. Machinery to the value of several million dollars already is installed, and it will simply be a question of putting new men in control.

But the very first thing that Uncle Sam will do in the way of actual work will be to "clean up the isthmus," as one official expressed it today. That will be an important task, and it will involve the sanitary conditions and make the place fit for northern men to live in and work in. The towns at either end of the route will be thoroughly cleaned, sewered and some steamships will be disinfected and whitewashed. The hospitals will be restored and renovated. Yale doctors and Yankee methods will be installed and the deadly climatic effects reduced to a minimum. There will be a "scrubbing" of the entire region and those people have never known.

On the isthmus of Panama, after Uncle Sam takes hold, there will be two cardinal rules, "Cleanliness and good order," and a little while the first mentioned will probably take precedence, for upon it will hang all the law and the order of the canal.

Government ownership of railroads will be realized on the isthmus. The United States will operate and own the Panama railroad, and will also own the isthmian waterways. There will be large signs at appropriate intervals along the railway warning of the Central American revolutionaries. Look out for the Central American revolutionaries. The Central American revolutionaries of holding up trains will be promptly discontinued. There will be no monkeying with the switch in the future.

Two Immense Engineering Feats.

Yankee ingenuity and determination will be brought into full play in the construction of the great work. Two immense engineering feats are to be performed. The most monstrous "cut" known to engineering will be made in the mountains where the canal will be dug through a hill 320 feet high and half a mile long.

Another great work will be the construction of the Bohio dam. They will have to build a dam 220 feet from top to bottom and half a mile long. All of these immense projects will require money and machinery and material, without end. The men will have to be fed and clothed and doctored, and all of that will make business good for non-mon men.

The money for the project has been provided. The government of Colombia will give \$10,000,000. The French Canal Company will give \$10,000,000. The cost of the canal's completion will be \$135,000,000, and that sum will be provided by the issuance of bonds of the United States as the money is needed.

The canal commission will have \$10,000,000 in cash at hand after Colombia and the canal company have been paid with which to make a start. As rapidly as other sums are needed the bonds will be sold and the coin supplied.

A great deal of foreign labor will be used in this work. There is no prohibition against engaging labor from Europe, and the greater part of the heavy work will be done by labor of that class, but under the supervision of Yankee engineers and officials.

MENACE TO THE SERVICE.

Putting Midshipmen in Command of Gun Divisions Condemned.

Rear Admiral Evans, commanding the Asiatic station, has made a report to the Navy Department in which he says the practice of assigning young and inexperienced midshipmen to the command of gun divisions on war vessels, that has grown out of the lack of officers in the navy, is a menace to the service and a serious danger to the fleet under his command.

The admiral says the recent evolutions of his fleet brought forth very bad results in the way of general drill, but showed that the division details are badly and often improperly conducted. In his opinion the inexperience of the young midshipmen placed in command of gun divisions, and the assignment of gun crews and gunners in charge of turrets containing 8 and 10-inch guns.

MINISTER GRISCOM'S GIFT.

Presented Lithographs of the Emancipation Proclamation.

Mr. Lloyd Griscom, formerly minister to Persia and now minister to Japan, is now in the city on his way to his new post of duty. He has presented the State Department with two lithographic copies of the emancipation proclamation of President Lincoln, believed to be the only exact copies in existence.

According to the story that reaches the State Department, President Lincoln loaned the original emancipation proclamation to a society of ladies, who desired to exhibit the famous paper and to use the money thus collected for charitable purposes. After the death of Lincoln the paper was left in the possession of that society in

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